



GREENFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, June 8th, 2021
Greenfield Department of Planning and Development
Online Through WebEx
Greenfield MA 01301**

Motion made by Erika LaForme to appoint Fletcher Harrington as Acting Chair for the meeting.

Motion seconded by Travis Drury.

No further discussion – 4-0-0 – Motion Carries

The meeting was called to order by Fletcher Harrington at 6:35 PM with the following members:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fletcher Harrington (Acting Chair for this Meeting)
Erika LaForme
Travis Drury
Christin McDonough

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rachel Lindsay (With Notice)

ALSO PRESENT: Cassie Tragert (Agent)
Tony Wonseski (SVE Associates)
Dwight Merriman (Big Y Foods, Inc.)
Rachel Loeffler (Berkshire Design Group)

Note on Meeting Access in light of COVID-19 State of Emergency:

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Greenfield Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found below. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City of Greenfield website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.



Should any technical interruption to the meeting occur and the meeting is suddenly ended, it will not be resumed and all items will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting date. Contact the Conservation Agent for more information

Administrative Matters: Approval of Meeting Minutes from 5/25/2021

Agent Tragert had not completed the minutes in advance of the meeting.

Motion made by Erika LaForme to continue the approval for the May 25th, 2021 meeting minutes to the June 22nd, 2021 meeting.

Motion seconded by Travis Drury.

No further discussion – 4-0-0 – Motion Carries

Public Meetings/Hearings

☐ **Public Meeting: Request for Determination of Applicability: Milling and repaving of parking lot at 225- 245 Mohawk Trail; (Map: 44, Lot: 4)**

Anthony Wonseski of SVE Associates and Dwight Merriman of Big Y Foods, Inc. presented a plan to repave the existing parking lot in phases with no increase to the footprint of the existing parking lot.

Commissioner Harrington asked if there will be any changes in the grade of the parking lot. Wonseski explained that there will be no changes in the final grade of the lot. They will mill the top 1 inch of the existing paving and repave to the original grade.

Commissioner Drury asked if there will be any protection provided for the existing storm drains in the lot. Wonseski explained that they will install silt sacks to all drains to catch any material before it enters the storm system. Commissioner Harrington asked if there will be any resulting changes to the drainage on site. Wonseski confirmed that there will not be any changes to drainage.

Merriman noted that the work will be completed in 3 phases in a period of 2 weeks likely from July 12th or July 18th as a start date. Wonseski noted that the work is exempt according to the Wetlands Protection Act and Agent Tragert read the corresponding language from the regulations to the Commission. Commissioner McDonough asked if the resource area boundaries needed to be confirmed. Wonseski explained that that is not necessary because of its exempt status and no additional work is proposed.

Motion made by Erika LaForme to issue a negative Determination Type 2 under the Wetlands Protection Act.

Motion seconded by Christin McDonough.

No further discussion – 4-0-0 – Motion Carries

Motion made by Erika LaForme to issue a negative Determination Type 6 under the Greenfield Wetlands Protection Act.

Motion seconded by Travis Drury.



No further discussion – 4-0-0 – Motion Carries

Enforcement Updates & Other Business

☐ **Enforcement updates**

- 21 Spring Terrace (Map 65-9) – unauthorized construction within Riverfront Area.
 - No updates, awaiting review of plantings in the spring.
- 286 Plain Road (Map R34-10) – unauthorized construction within Riverfront Area.
 - No updates.
- 637 Colrain Road (Map R35-7) – unauthorized filling of wetlands.
 - No updates.
- Old Wedgewood Gardens - Kimball Drive (Map 48-24) – unauthorized fill of Riverfront Area.
 - No updates.
- 8 Conway Drive (Map 49-24) – unauthorized fill of Riverfront Area.
 - No updates.

Project Monitoring & Site Visit Scheduling (Continued)

☐ **List of active Order of Conditions and updates.**

- 195 Mill Brook Road – Solar Project.
 - No updates.
- 125 Mohawk Trail – Hotel Construction.
 - No updates.
- 739 Bernardston Road – Center School
 - Rachel Loeffler of Berkshire Design Group presented a change to the original approved plan in which the parking area associated with the basketball court will be completely paved. Previously it was planned to be a semi-permeable surface, though the stormwater calculations were completed under the assumption that it was impermeable. Thus fully paving this area will not impact stormwater calculations. The Commission determined that this was a minor change and no further review as required.
- 60 James Street – Single-family home.
 - No updates.
- Wisdom Way/River Street/Mill Street Intersection (DEP #: 168-0338, Exp. 10/27/2023) – Roadway improvements.
 - No updates.

☐ **Set Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 22nd, 2021**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM

Motion made by Travis Drury to adjourn at 8:0 PM

Motion seconded by Fletcher Erika LaForme



No further discussion – 4-0-0 – Motion Carries

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie Tragert,
Conservation Agent

Rachel Lindsay,
Acting Chair